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AB 441 (Hall) – Card Rooms FACT SHEET

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ISSUE

Card rooms are legally sanctioned, age-restricted, non-tribal gaming facilities that offer various forms of card-based gambling. In addition to entertainment, card rooms also provide the state and local governments with important revenue needed to maintain vital local programs such as law enforcement, parks, libraries and other services.

Current law authorizes local governments to increase the number of gambling tables operated at a card room by ordinance, not to exceed two tables. Confusion and mis-interpretation of state law though has left many local governments and card rooms hesitant to adopt such an ordinance.

SOLUTION

AB 441 would provide local governments with needed clarification on their ability to modify the number of gambling tables operated at a card room.

Consistent with legal opinions from the state Department of Justice, this measure will give local governments the ability to continue to have these businesses operate in their community and provide vital resources to maintain important local programs and services.

SUPPORT

Capital Casino (Co-Sponsor)

Casino Royale (Co-Sponsor)

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(As amended March 4, 2010)